

The Church of the Holy Trinity

Rittenhouse Square

The Seventh Sunday of Easter: The Sunday after Ascension Day

Holy Eucharist, Rite II
with commissioning for the beginning of the sabbatical



June 1, 2025

What's Happening This Week:

Morning Prayer is held every weekday at 9:00 am on Facebook.

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sunday, June 1	9:30 am	Adult Education Class	Church
	11:00 am	Holy Eucharist - 7 th Sunday of Easter	Church
		<u>Undie Sunday: Bring a new pack of men's underwear to donate to Open Hearts Café</u>	
	12:00 pm	Ice Cream Social & Sabbatical Send-off	Breezeway
	4:00 pm	Open Hearts Café Meal/Clothing	Centennial Room
Monday, June 2	10:00-3:00	Church Open	
Tuesday, June 3	10:00-3:00	Church Open	
	3:00 pm	Open Hearts Café Meal/Clothing	Centennial Room
Wednesday, June 4	10:00-3:00	Church Open	
Thursday, June 5	10:00-3:00	Church Open	
	12:15 pm	Healing Eucharist	Prayer Corner
Sunday, June 8	9:30 am	Adult Education Class	Church
	11:00 am	Holy Eucharist - Day of Pentecost	Church
	12:00 pm	Refreshments	Church
	4:00 pm	Open Hearts Café Meal/Clothing	Centennial Room

TODAY'S PARTICIPANTS

Sally Griffith & James Otwell, *Lectors*

Gail Caruso, *Intercessor*

Quinn Gardner, *Acolyte*

Margaret Hughes, *Ushers*

Peg Mertz, *Welcome Table*

Sally Griffith, *Flowers*

Ice Cream Social after Service, *Refreshments*

Welcome! We are glad you are with us today.

You can find more information on the back of the bulletin.

Our Vivid Vision

This was created in 2022 in collaboration with the Rectors, Wardens & Vestry and is intended to describe where we will be in 3 years.

The church is bursting with life. Outside the building, people are talking, resting, and enjoying the weather. Inside, people are coming and going – staff and volunteers connecting and welcoming. Families, students, working professionals, retirees and neighbors mingle with each other, finding resources they need: safety and support, education, and creative outlets. Visitors and members alike find a place to make a difference and share their gifts with each other. The smell of delicious food wafts through the air as the chefs prepare the community meal for the day. Visitors from all over the world are marveling at the beautiful interior of the sanctuary. Worshipers are laughing, singing, praising, and just enjoying being together. The delicate sounds of violin mingle with the robust organ and the echoes of voices. We are more than just a place on the Square. We are an integral part of the neighborhood.

Core Values

Inclusion/Welcome

We believe that no one should feel left out or alone. We embrace our differences and respect each person within our community. This allows everyone to bring their unique and authentic gifts to further the mission of the church.

Innovation

We are not afraid of trying new things or changing when necessary. If things do not work out, we are open to re-evaluate, learn from our mistakes, and try again.

Collaboration

We listen to and support one another, working and evolving together. We build upon each other's strengths and lift up each other's gifts.

Community Mindedness

Church is not an individual endeavor, but a community experience. We believe that we cannot each succeed or be whole, unless everyone finds success and wholeness.

Culture

Joyful

We are hopeful, optimistic, and have fun together. Being part of this community gives us joy, and our joy spreads to others and makes us want to share joy with them.

Fearless

We are innovative, purposeful and adaptable. We believe that with God all things are possible and that with prayer and connection to God we will always have enough. We are not afraid of trying new things or of failing. We learn from our mistakes. We reach out to others drawing them in, not waiting for them to find us.

Embracing

We love others, because God loves us. This means that we are accepting, welcoming, open, genuine, and empathetic. We speak the truth in love.

Engaged

Our connection to this organization is full of energy. We give without expectation of return. We continuously learn about the community and our neighbors and adapt our connections as needed. We all contribute our time, money and skills to make our community better.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Entrance Hymn 460

Hyfrydol

1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the
 *2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the
 *5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the
 2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is
 3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the
 4 Lord of lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! born of
 5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the
 2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the
 3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -
 4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -
 5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,
 4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

Opening Acclamation

John Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity

John Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Song to the Lamb

James Denman

Splen - dor and hon - or and king - ly pow'r are yours by right, O

Lord our God, For you cre - a - ted ev - ery-thing that is, and

by your will they were cre - a - ted and have their be - ing;

And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, for with your blood,

you have re-deemed for God, From ev - ery fam - ily, lan - guage, peo - ple, and

na - tion, a roy - al priest-hood to serve our God. And so, to

him who sits up - on the throne, and to Christ the Lamb, Be

wor-ship and praise, do - mi-nion and splen-dor, for ev - er and for ev - er more.

Collect of the Day

John The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

John Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson: Acts 16:16-34

Sally Griffith

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened.

When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

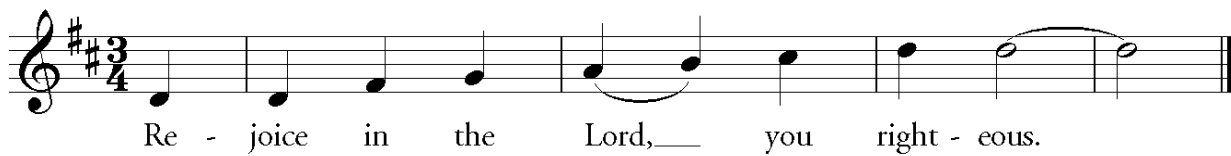
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 97 *Dominus regnavit*

Chant: Richard Massey

*The antiphon is sung once by the choir and then by all. The choir sings the verses, the congregation joining on the verses in **bold**. All sing the antiphon as indicated.*



1 The Lord is King;
let the | earth re|joice; *
let the | multitude • of the | isles be | glad.

2 Clouds and darkness are | round a|bout him, *
righteousness and justice are the foun|dations | of his | throne.

3 A fire | goes be|fore him *
and burns up his | enemies • on | every | side.

4 His lightnings | light up • the | world; *
the earth | sees it • and | is a|fraid.

Antiphon

5 The mountains melt like wax at the | presence • of the | Lord, *
at the presence of the | Lord • of the | *whole* | earth.

6 The heavens de|clare his | righteousness, *
and all the | peoples | see his | glory.

7 Confounded be all who worship carved images
and delight in | *false* | gods! *
Bow down be|fore him, | all you | gods.

8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of | Judah • re|joice, *
be|cause of • your | judgments, • O | Lord.

Antiphon

9 For you are the Lord,
most high over | all the | earth; *
you are exalted | far a•bove | *all* | gods.

10 The Lord loves | those who • hate | evil; *
he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the | *hand* | of the | wicked.

11 Light has sprung | up • for the | righteous, *
and joyful gladness for | those who | are true|hearted.

12 Rejoice in the | Lord, you | righteous, *
and give | thanks to • his | holy | Name.

Antiphon

Reader A reading from the Book of Revelation.

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words: "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please rise in body or in spirit.

Sequence Hymn 692

Kingsfold

1. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
 2. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
 3. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;
 and in your wea - ri - ness lay down your head up - on my breast."
 the liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, stoop down and drink, and live."
 look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."
 I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
 I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my Star, my Sun;
 I found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
 my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
 and in that light of life I'll walk till pil - grim days are done.

The Gospel: John 17:20-26

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Rachel Wenner Gardner

Following a period of silence, all rise in body or in spirit.

Nicene Creed

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

Gail Caruso

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
Silence

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;
People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;
People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;
People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Daniel, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers; We pray for our clergy, John and Rachel, and our congregation.

People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially those on our prayer list: Robert, Gwenette, David, Emily, Nicole, Walter, Hubertha, Ed, Jordan, Barbara, Antonio, Robbie, the Curvy and Cottrell families, Jessica, Tracey, Chuck, Jarred, Khalil, Kyree, Christopher, Harmony, Calvin, Mourad, Stefania, Christian, Mike, Donna, Katreen, Cheryl, and all those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

Silence

Leader Hear us, Lord;
People **For your mercy is great.**

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader We pray for all who have died, especially Robert, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People **Who put their trust in you.**

The Confession of Sin

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

All **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Absolution

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Please rise in body or in spirit.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you!**

Please be seated.

Welcome, Parish Notices & Celebration Blessings

Service of Commissioning for Sabbatical

Warden People of God, by virtue of our baptism God calls us to mission and ministry, and to holy labor in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. At certain times, God also called us to occasions of sabbath rest and reflection so that we might be renewed for Christian service.

As we prepare to send John & Rachel forth on their sabbatical, we gather to ask God's blessing upon them, and upon us as we ready ourselves for the time ahead.

Warden God traces our journeys and resting places,

People **And is acquainted with all our ways.**

Warden God will preserve our going out and our coming in,

People **From this time forth and forevermore.**

Warden Let us pray. God of all wisdom send your blessing on our congregational community as we enter this time of sabbatical. Guide our leaders through challenges that may arise. Give to all of us discerning and prayerful hearts, spirits ready to understand and quick to forgive, ears to listen for your word, and voices to speak the truth. Make us bold to live out your Gospel as we seek to do your will. **Amen.**

Vestry Members, you have been chosen to seek to involve all members of this congregation in worship, learning, witness, service, and support, so that the

mission of Christ is carried out in the congregation, in the wider church, in this community, and in the world. Will you continue to faithfully carry out the duties of the offices to which you have been called?

Vestry **We will, and we ask God to help us.**

Warden John & Rachel, are you ready to step away from the obligations of daily parish life and to engage in this period of sabbatical? Will you take time for reflection and renewal and rest in the life-giving experiences that await you?

John & Rachel **I will, and I ask God to help me.**

Warden Members and friends of The Church of Holy Trinity, in this time of sabbatical, will you support your elected leaders and sabbatical clergy? Will you share in the mutual ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized? Will you pray for them and for John and Rachel on their sabbatical journey?

People **We will, and we ask God to help us.**

Leaders gather round for laying on of hands.

Warden God of all blessing, be with your servants John & Rachel as they undertake their sabbatical journey. Grant them a holy departure from this community, safety in all their travels, rest and renewal for their spirit and bodies, and the joy of a grace-filled return. We ask these things in the name of the holy and undivided Trinity, one God. **Amen.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

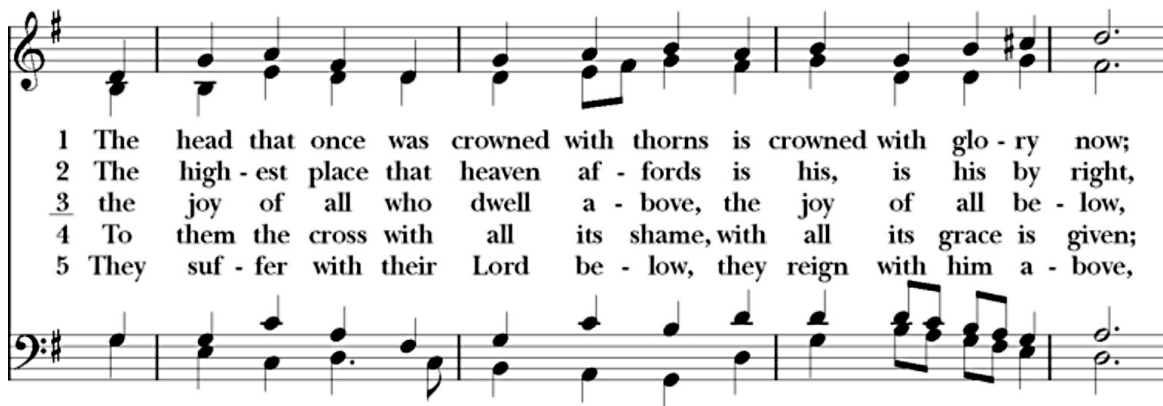
John Transforming God, we have come to your house as children. The Table is ever-growing and we revel in your gifts for us. Receive our simple offerings, that they may be used to faithfully serve in building your kingdom. **Amen.**

O God the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph into heaven;
 We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thy Holy Ghost to comfort us,
 and exalt us unto the same place where our Saviour Christ has gone before us. Amen.

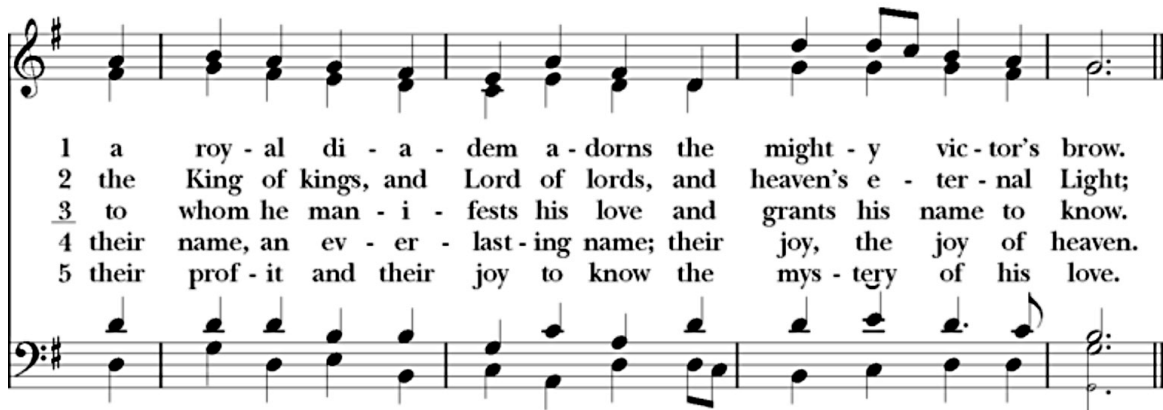
Please rise in body or in spirit

Offertory Hymn 483

St. Magnus



1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
 2 The high - est place that heaven af - fords is his, is his by right,
 3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low,
 4 To them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given;
 5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove,



1 a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
 2 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's e - ter - nal Light;
 3 to whom he man - i - fests his love and grants his name to know.
 4 their name, an ev - er - last - ing name; their joy, the joy of heaven.
 5 their prof - it and their joy to know the mys - tery of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,
 though shame and death to him:
 his people's hope, his people's wealth,
 their everlasting theme.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Ronald Arnatt

All

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

The Choir alone *All*

hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:


All **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.


Fraction Anthem

Antiphon
Cantor; then All

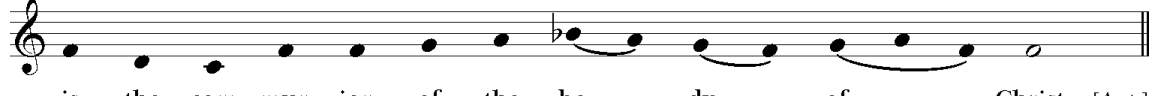


The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

Cantor




1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,




is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

Cantor



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



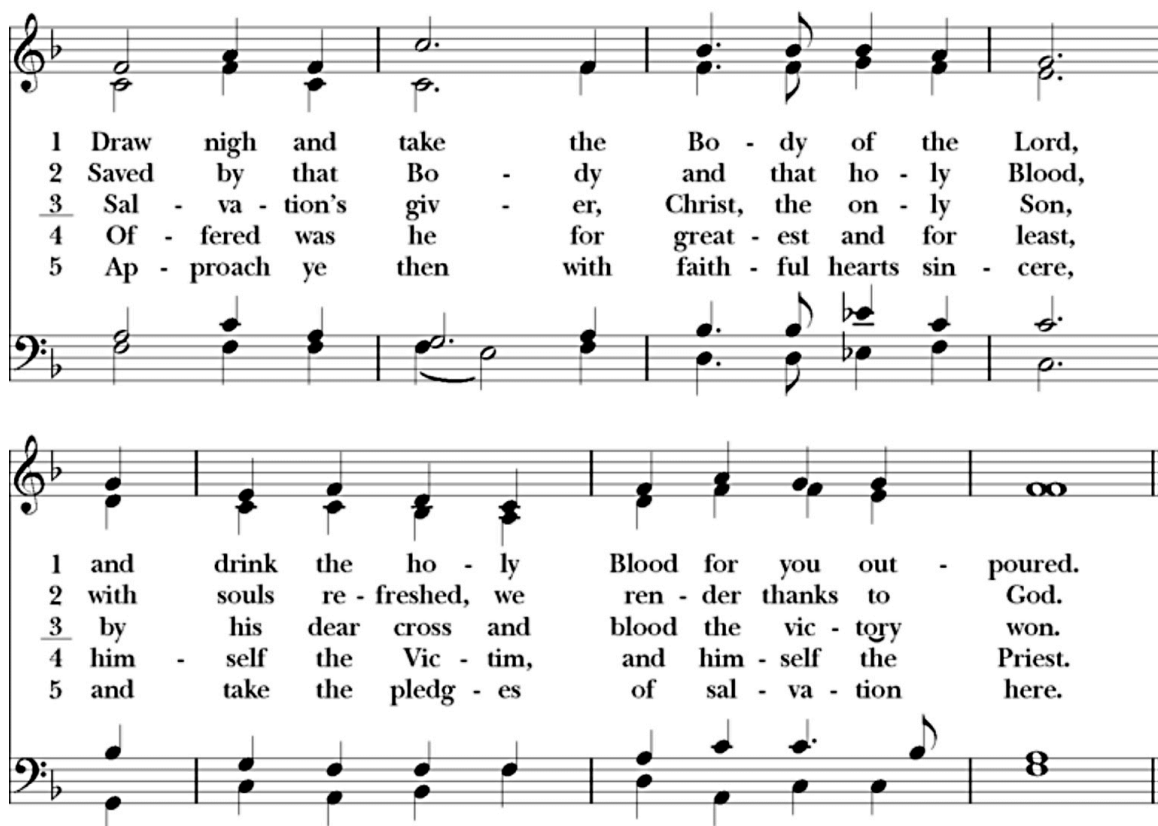
for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The people are seated.

Distribution of Communion

If you wish to receive communion, please follow the directions of the ushers and go to the altar rail to receive. You can receive bread and/or wine, depending on your preference. If you wish to receive the wine, you can retain your wafer and dip it in the cup or drink directly from the cup. If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing, please let the priest know. We will bring communion to those who are more comfortable staying in their pew (please alert an usher).



1 Draw nigh and take the Bo - dy of the Lord,
 2 Saved by that Bo - dy and that ho - ly Blood,
 3 Sal - va - tion's giv - er, Christ, the on - ly Son,
 4 Of - fered was he for great - est and for least,
 5 Ap - proach ye then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,

1 and drink the ho - ly Blood for you out - poured.
 2 with souls re - freshed, we ren - der thanks to God.
 3 by his dear cross and blood the vic - tory won.
 4 him - self the Vic - tim, and him - self the Priest.
 5 and take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.

6 He that his saints in this world rules and shields
 to all believers life eternal yields;

7 with heavenly bread he makes the hungry whole,
 gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

8 Alpha-Omega, unto whom shall bow
 all nations at the doom, is with us now.

Communion Anthem

Go forth into the world in peace

John Rutter

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage;
 hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil;
 strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted;
 honour all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
 And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son, and the Holy Ghost,
 be upon you, and remain with you forever. Amen.

Following the anthem, all rise in body or in spirit.

Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Celebrant The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal Hymn 495

In Babilone

1 Hail, thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, thou Gal - i -
2 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, all our sins on
3 Je - sus, hail! en - throned in glo - ry, there for ev - er
*4 Wor - ship, hon - or, power, and bless - ing thou art wor - thy

le - an King! Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us;
thee were laid: by al - might - y love a - noint - ed,
to a - bide; all the heaven - ly hosts a - dore thee,
to re - ceive; high - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing,

thou didst free sal - va - tion bring. Hail, thou u - ni - ver - sal
thou hast full a - tone - ment made. All thy peo - ple are for -
seat - ed at thy Fa - ther's side. There for sin - ners thou art
right it is for us to give. Help, ye bright an - gel - ic

Sa - vior, bear - er of our sin and shame! By thy mer - it
giv - en through the vir - tue of thy blood: o - pened is the
plead - ing: there thou dost our place pre - pare; ev - er for us
spi - rits, all your no - blest an - thems raise; help to sing our

we find fa - vor: life is giv - en through thy Name
gate of hea - ven, re - con - ciled are we with God.
in - ter - ced - ing, till in glo - ry we ap - pear.
Sa - vior's mer - its, help to chant Em - man - uel's praise!

Dismissal

John Alleluia, Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

Postlude

Piece d'Orgue

Johann Sebastian Bach

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Healing Prayer – *all who wish to receive prayers for healing for themselves, a loved one or even the world, are invited to join a member of the clergy and/or the healing team in the Prayer Corner (to the right of the altar area) after the service.*

About this service...

Service: Everything you need for the service is in this bulletin. If you have questions or need assistance, please ask one of the ushers (who handed you this bulletin) or a neighbor in your pew.

Children are always welcome in our worship service and we love to hear their joyful sounds and see their wiggly ways! We have books for all ages and activity bags in the back for children who wish to stay with their families during the service. We also have the “Pew Pen” in the front of the church for those we need a little more space to move around.

Restrooms are located at the front of the church. Walk down the left aisle toward the door with the EXIT sign. Go through the door and turn left. Men’s room is straight ahead, women’s to the right. If you prefer a gender-neutral bathroom, please ask our ushers to show you where this is.

Offering: Halfway through the service you will notice that we pass a plate around to collect the offering. The offerings we give help to support to work this church does, the people who work here, and our programs for the neighborhood. If you wish to help support our amazing programs, you can put something in the plate, text **CHT**



DONATE to 73256 or using the QR code to the right. You can also sign up to give regularly with REALM (www.htrrit.org/give).

Volunteer with Open Hearts Café

Open Hearts Café, our weekly meal and clothing service for our neighbors, is always open for volunteers and donations. Gently used clothing, especially coats, jeans, and shoes, and new socks, underwear and under garments are always needed!

Sign up to volunteer: <https://tinyurl.com/OpenHeartsCafeSignUp>

Ushers, Acolytes, Refreshments, Lectors, Intercessors, Oh My!

It takes a community to make our Sunday services happen. You may notice that along with our rectors and choir members, there are many parishioners that help! **Ushers** greet community members when they enter the church, pass out the service leaflets, collect offerings, and invite congregants to take Holy Communion. **Acolytes** are part of the processional and play a key role in the liturgy. **Refreshments** are shared at the end of Sunday service in the Narthex. **Lectors** and **Intercessors** are participants that speak from the lectern the readings and prayers for the people during the service.

Want to participate? Email communications@htrit.org! All are welcome and highly encouraged to participate!

Calling All!

New “The Faces of Holy Trinity” Community Initiative

How many times have you come into the church, volunteered at Open Hearts, or lingered after Sunday service for coffee and snacks, realizing that you don’t know the people and faces around you? Or maybe you’ve forgotten someone’s name, or are curious to learn more about them?

Introducing the new “Faces of the Holy Trinity”! We’ll be spotlighting various parishioners, community members, volunteers, guests, and staff throughout the coming months. You’ll get to learn a little more about what brought each person to Holy Trinity, how they feel a part of the community, and some more fun facts about them!

Would you like to be featured, or maybe you know of someone that you want the rest of our community to know more about, please email communications@htrit.org!

The Church of the Holy Trinity Staff

The Rev. Rachel Wenner Gardner, *Rector*

The Rev. John Gardner, *Rector*

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Church of the Holy Trinity, Vestry

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